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Due to the impending publication of two new floras which will deal with pteridophytes occurring in southeastern Australia, it is necessary to publish the following two new combinations and a new species which will be either included in or mentioned in these books.

BLECHNUM MINUS SUBSP. SCABRUM

BLECHNUM MINUS (R. Br.) Ettingsh. in Denkschr. Ak. Wien 23: 63. 1864, subsp. **scabrum** (Domin) Tindale, *comb. et stat. nov.*

BASIONYM: *Blechnum capense* (L.) Schlecht. var. *scabrum* Domin, in Bibl. Bot. 85: 116. 1913.

HOLOTYPE: Australia, Sieber Syn. Fil. exsic. No. 107. Domin does not state in which herbarium this specimen is located but I have examined isotypes bearing this label in the Natural History Museum, Paris, and in the Riksmuseum, Stockholm. Both specimens agree well with Domin's description.

A short description of *B. minus* ssp. *scabrum* is provided below:

Rhizome consisting of a short, erect caudex up to 5 cm. high and a horizontal, stoloniferous portion; caudex densely scaly, the scales long-acuminate, very thick, entire, very glossy, linear (more than 6:1) to narrowly lanceolate (6:1), chestnut or dark